

ABSTRACT OF DISCLOSURE

The present invention relates to a method of menu-based control of external devices connected to a digital audio/video apparatus. According to this invention, in response to user's request of a menu for selection of the external devices that have been connected to the digital audio/video apparatus, a menu image is displayed on the digital audio/video apparatus, each menu item corresponding to each of the connected external device. When one of the external devices is selected from the menu, a menu image including menu items for executing operations of the selected external device is requested and displayed on the digital audio/video apparatus. The operations of the selected external device can be selected and executed from the menu. This invention allows a user to conveniently, centrally examine and execute various operations or functions of external devices such as a DVD player that are connected to a central digital audio/video apparatus without the direct access to the external devices.